



## The Punjab Special Tribunal (Change of Composition) Act, 1950

Act 10 of 1950

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OF COMPOSITION)**

**'THE PUNJAB SPECIAL TRIBUNAL (CHANGE  
OF COMPOSITION) ACT, 1950**

PUNJAB ACT NO. 10 OF 1950

*[Received the assent of His Excellency the Governor on the 14th April, 1950 and first published in the Punjab Government Government Gazette (Extraordinary) of April 15, 1950].*

**An Act to provide for a change in the composition  
of the East Punjab Special Tribunal.**

It is hereby enacted as follows:—

**1. (1) This Act may be called the Punjab Special  
Tribunal (Change of Composition) Act, 1950.**

**Short title and  
commencement.**

**(2) It shall come into force at once.**

**2. In this Act,—**

**Definitions**

**(a) “Principal Ordinance” means the Criminal  
Law Amendment Ordinance, 1943 (Ordi-  
nance No. XXIX of 1943) as modified by  
East Punjab Special Tribunal (Continuance)  
Act, 1948 (East Punjab Act No. XXIX of  
1948);**

**(b) “The Tribunal” means the Tribunal known  
as the Punjab Special Tribunal by virtue  
of paragraph (1) of Article 3 of the Indian  
Independence (Special Tribunals) Order,  
1947.**

**3. (1) As from the 1st of December, 1949, the  
principal Ordinance shall apply in relation to the Tribu-  
nal and to the cases not disposed of by it before  
that date subject to the modification that for section**

**Change of Com-  
position of the  
Tribunal.**

E. Pb.  
Act  
XXIX of  
1948.

<sup>1</sup>For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see *Punjab Government Gazette*, (Extraordinary), 1950, pages 135-136 ; for proceedings in the Assembly see *Punjab Legislative Assembly Debates*, Volume 1, 1950, pages (18) 49—18(58).

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4 thereof the following section shall be substituted, namely:—

“4. The Punjab Special Tribunal shall consist of one member to be appointed by the State Government, who shall be a person qualified under paragraph (2) of Article 217 of the Constitution of India, for appointment as a judge of a High Court.”

Composition of  
the Punjab Special  
Tribunal

(2) Notwithstanding the change in the composition of the Tribunal effected by sub-section (1), it shall not be necessary for the Tribunal to recommence any proceedings or to recall and re-hear any witness who has given evidence before such change and it shall be law-ful for the Tribunal to act on the evidence already recorded by or produced before it.

Repeal of East  
Punjab Ordinance  
No. XXIV of  
1950.

4. The East Punjab Special Tribunal (Change of Composition) Ordinance, 1950 is hereby repealed but not withstanding such repeal anything done or any action, taken in exercise of any powers conferred by or under the said Ordinance shall be deemed to have been done or taken in exercise of powers conferred by or under this Act.